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This Bulletin, issued by the Commonwealth Statistician (Dr. Roland Wilson), shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1938-39, 1947-48, 1948-49 and 1949-50 and monthly production for the latest six months (August 1950 to January 1951) are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater details in other publications of the Bureau.

In future this bulletin will be published as near as possible to the beginning of each month and figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. For each commodity the Authority responsible for the present collection is indicated alongside the title. Figures up to 1948-49 inclusive are taken from the Government Statistician's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for periods other than those ending on June 30th each Year.

The scope of the bulletin will be widened from time to time to include new information as it becomes available.

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Commodity	Source	Unit	Monthly Averages					Monthly Production Latest six months					1951	
			Year					1950						
			1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.		
FUEL:														
Briquettes	G.S.	Tons	33,329	45,436	46,558	48,464	54,193	49,497	37,756	13,303	20,108	46,117		
Black Coal	J.C.B.	"	26,900	13,500	12,900	11,684	15,422	13,208	7,402	3,710	11,073	11,020		
Brown Coal	G.S.	"	303,624	534,623	585,044	634,997	704,410	618,681	563,031	441,695	441,345	569,019		
HEAT LIGHT & POWER:														
Gas made in Gasworks	G.S.	Mill.Cu.Ft.	594	1,014	1,009	884	1,084	1,049	1,041	964	875	816		
Total Electricity Generated	G.S.	Mill.K.W.H.	102	188	209	226	270	245	240	224	211	195		
BUILDING MATERIALS:														
Bricks	M.P.D.	'000	16,437	11,807	12,754	11,543	13,863	13,044	10,784	13,351	11,452	11,081		
Fibrous Plaster	M.P.D.	'000 Sq.yds.	273	458	510	450	495	468	454	440	277	315		
Tiles - Cement	M.P.D.	'000	252	1,084	1,290	1,539	1,965	1,770	1,808	1,762	1,243	1,097		
" Terra Cotta	M.P.D.	'000	1,145	920	915	943	1,081	1,071	1,094	1,168	797	767		
Sawn Native Timber	F.A.	'000 Sup.ft.	10,016	21,709	23,488	26,173	30,784	29,228	30,357	29,207	18,564	20,067		
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS:														
Soap - Household	G.S.	Cwt.	16,024	14,689	16,592(a)	17,432	15,147	15,343	19,732	18,999	15,809	15,284		
- Toilet & Hand	G.S.	"	1,489	2,617	3,934	4,647	5,055	5,460	4,825	4,646	3,695	4,728		
- Flakes & Chips	G.S.	"	..	1,771	1,940	(b)	2,781	2,529	3,585	3,012	1,962	1,540		
- Industrial	G.S.	"	..	2,425	3,008)		2,446	1,939	2,248	1,265	912	1,812		
- Sand	G.S.	"	3,156	1,954	673)	4,967	1,255	908	999	825	673	637		
- Soft	G.S.	"	445	764	486)		402	670	635	492	588	605		
- Liquid	G.S.	"	..	1,332	1,663)		2,225	2,210	2,010	1,919	1,769	1,725		
Soap Extracts & Powders	G.S.	"	10,277	18,162	20,746	23,242	25,313	28,714	25,544	26,433	18,520	21,203		
Superphosphate	C&A	Tons	39,854	37,464	49,679	51,497	65,690	42,218	35,718	57,016	30,502	58,255		
Sulphuric Acid	G.S.	"	16,543	14,801	19,333	19,945	23,654	15,922	16,764	19,723	15,033	20,522		
REFINED METALS:														
Gold	M.D.	Fine Ozs.	12,373	6,846	5,540	5,214	5,440	6,531	5,881	5,775	5,430			
BUILDINGS FITTINGS:														
Stoves - Solid Fuel (C)	G.S.	Number	1,439	759	914	931	1,323	1,278	1,304	1,283	916	858		
- Gas (C)	G.S.	"	1,987	1,274	1,460	1,343	1,354	1,380	1,463	1,529	1,124	793		
Coppers - Gas	G.S.	"	..	229	359	709	991	1,444	952	906	665	176		
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	G.S.	"	..	586	523	759	832	934	892	814	638	377		
- Gas	G.S.	"	..	556	458	247	796	504	807	705	619	392		
Pans, Pedestal Earthenware	G.S.	"	..	..	..	2,970	3,220	3,434	3,818	3,173	1,828	2,247		
Sinks, Stainless Steel	G.S.	"	..	3,913	4,008	4,176	5,534	5,265	5,064	5,469	3,572	3,288		

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PEDAL CYCLES: (made and/or assembled)	G.S.	Number	2,581	3,109	2,635	2,901	3,298	2,989	2,820	3,590	3,138	2,769
ELECTRIC MOTORS: (d)												
Under 1 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	(e) 1,226	3,729	4,170	4,122	5,419	5,428	5,577	4,023	3,226
1 H.P. and under $2\frac{1}{2}$ H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	634	985	1,263	926	513	661	589	627
$2\frac{1}{2}$ " " 5 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	..	505	600	689	443	388	98	320
5 " " 10 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	..	158	112	193	370	349	75	44
COTTON SEWING THREAD: (counts over 12)	G.S.	lb.	..	..	..	42,257	67,202	64,658	68,580	67,322	51,450	45,152
COTTON TWEEDS:	G.S.	Sq.Yds.	154,435	59,620	68,863	79,003	94,907	74,606	79,234	87,246	62,426	64,819
WOOL TEXTILES:												
Scoured Wool (f)	G.S.	'000lb.	3,172	5,864	5,153	4,698	4,984	3,696	3,830	4,446	3,348	3,351
Wool Tops	G.S.	"	936	1,705	1,323	1,166	1,317	1,115	1,150	1,215	753	904
Yarn - Woollen	G.S.	"	731	1,268	1,186	1,173	1,246	1,137	1,234	1,218	828	787
- Worsted	G.S.	"	612	1,111	1,137	1,092	1,127	1,012	1,080	1,180	740	730
Woven Cloth	G.S.	1000Sq.Yds.	1,415	1,830	1,891	1,749	1,818	1,665	1,877	1,714	1,298	1,322
HOSIERY:												
Women's, Maids, Girls'												
Full Fashioned & Circular	G.S.	Doz. Pairs	..	..	..	81,134	98,034	92,854	101,566	95,560	76,446	56,895
Anklets	G.S.	" "	..	..	..	21,659	29,284	25,355	32,508	30,493	16,166	16,594
Men's & Boys'	G.S.	" "	..	..	..	87,976	118,063	104,489	119,002	110,885	83,608	72,873
Children's	G.S.	" "	..	..	..	32,651	46,759	39,274	44,559	40,766	29,452	23,858
KNITTED UNDERWEAR:												
Men's	G.S.	Doz. (g)	91,941	27,258	24,064	39,879	43,609	35,075	40,683	39,972	30,477	26,840
Women's	G.S.	Doz. (h)	67,687	62,523	77,575	72,023	76,582	83,744	83,026	72,694	57,036	
Children's	G.S.	Doz. (h)	20,926	16,103	25,140	29,792	27,969	29,108	25,173	22,465	15,649	
KNITTED OUTERWEAR:												
Cardigans, Jumpers, Sweaters etc.												
Men's & Woman's	G.S.	Doz.	16,301	18,471	18,487	20,400	25,330	23,618	28,063	27,289	18,623	16,330
Boys' & Girls'	G.S.	"	4,420	7,604	8,404	6,706	6,384	7,154	7,534	7,386	7,449	6,931
Bathing Suits	G.S.	"	1,944	2,440	1,757	1,839	3,049	2,959	3,170	2,214	1,038	490
CLOTHING: (except knitted)												
Shirts - Men's & Boys'	G.S.	Doz.	22,581	21,285	21,968	23,963	30,131	26,527	29,924	33,871	24,414	14,560
Pyjama Suits - Men's & Boys'	G.S.	Doz.	6,097	5,089	6,637	6,380	6,183	4,821	5,245	5,479	3,457	2,540
GLOVES: (not rubber)												
Dress - Leather	G.S.	Doz. Prs.	.77	2,722	2,605	1,510	1,850	1,960	1,657	1,683	1,002	790
- Fabric	G.S.	" "	..	2,790	1,788	2,007	2,937	2,631	2,778	2,900	1,778	1,420
Work	G.S.	" "	1,187	1,510	11,309	1,211	1,494	1,252	1,329	1,026	855	888

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FOOTWEAR: (not rubber) Boots & Shoes	G.S.	Doz. Prs.	622	651	610	634	734	697	736	733	507	491
Sandals	G.S.	" "	..	50	65	51	69	72	78	83	51	41
Slippers	G.S.	" "	352	396	379	358	385	391	408	398	276	239
FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO:												
Flour (from wheat)	G.S.	Short tons	36,402	40,651	38,982	36,195	41,489	41,177	41,573	*24,187	*25,687	34,580
Biscuits	G.S.	'000 lb.	1,697	2,540	2,677	2,731	3,149	3,097	2,981	2,818	2,637	2,073
Confectionery - Chocolate Basis	G.S.	"	1,121	1,709	2,172	2,664	3,388	2,835	2,714	2,503	1,372	1,172
- Other	G.S.	"	1,589	1,767	1,862	2,114	2,688	2,169	2,108	2,247	1,468	1,361
Beef & Veal	G.S.	Tons	9,499	8,757	9,835	10,551	11,934	10,616	10,492	10,208	9,434	11,475
Lamb	G.S.	"	4,890	4,740	4,415	5,569	2,884	4,410	6,911	6,829	7,637	3,709
Mutton	G.S.	"	6,454	4,311	5,147	6,708	3,822	3,848	4,284	4,400	5,328	7,398
Pork	G.S.	"	897	595	719	546	533	465	591	518	1,105	818
Bacon & Ham (Cured Weight)	G.S.	"	614	930	850	661	615	611	601	604	828	628
Total Meat (in terms of fresh)	G.S.	"	23,688	19,666	21,271	24,273	20,009	20,170	23,095	22,776	24,630	24,254
Butter (factory only)	G.S.	"	4,718	4,726	5,003	5,292	4,220	6,457	8,781	8,875	7,331	5,594
Cheese (factory only)	G.S.	"	720	1,347	1,529	1,774	1,439	2,602	3,720	3,876	3,353	2,364
Processed Milk Products	G.S.	"	..	4,984	5,379	5,708	4,203	6,280	8,472	9,602	8,012	5,891
Ice Cream	G.S.	Galls.	88,801	312,100	321,363	234,389	308,562	359,082	437,744	480,647	718,642	842,883
Beer	T&C	'000Galls.	2,621	3,260	3,663	4,155	4,576	4,305	4,701	4,800	4,745	4,665
Bran (from wheat)	G.S.	Short Tns.	7,937	8,812	8,240	6,973	8,007	8,120	8,196	4,516	5,120	6,868
Pollard (from wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,515	9,987	8,222	7,258	8,554	8,275	8,465	4,770	5,019	6,413
Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	G.S.	Cwt.	11,786	30,648	16,241	14,814	14,940	10,315	9,718	7,530	4,954	5,230
Prepared Breakfast Foods (wheat)	G.S.	"	4,053	9,834	10,141	11,684	11,278	10,594	10,371	11,692	8,937	9,221
Edible Starch (Maize and Wheat)	G.S.	"	..	6,162	7,514	8,208	8,710	8,246	9,070	9,218	5,879	7,285
Margarine - Table	G.S.	lb.	209,516	175,532	175,417	185,528	91,392	107,632	94,304	121,744	67,088	72,128
- Other	G.S.	"	605,081	732,833	657,954	642,342	569,744	592,144	487,200	475,888	331,968	306,208
Malt - Barley & Wheaten	G.S.	Bushel (40lb)	202,093	269,026	272,558	287,020	335,839	319,933	340,289	334,110	277,209	266,239
Jams, Conserves & Jellies (i)	G.S.	'000 lb.	4,131	8,889	6,314	5,809	3,066	2,560	3,314	2,534	6,838	15,825
Canned Apricots, Peaches and Pears (i)	G.S.	" "	7,901	8,671	7,286	7,790	-	-	-	-	665	8,431
Green Peas	G.S.	" "	80	374	342	225	-	-	-	920	2,340	151
Other Vegetables (j)	G.S.	" "	333	701	1,371	1,704	1,897	2,546	2,238	2,607	1,761	1,798
Tobacco Cigars & Cigarettes (k)	T&C	" "	634	832	813	850	874	845	922	818	930	702
PERAMBULATORS: (Inc. Pushers & Strollers)	G.S.	Number	1,757	4,375	4,110	3,990	4,659	4,452	4,376	4,282	3,115	3,598
MATTRESS: Woven Wire,	G.S.	"	..	4,037	5,467	5,581	7,669	7,733	8,903	8,885	6,628	4,823
Link Mesh & Spring	G.S.	"	639	1,984	3,933	4,783	6,887	6,454	7,160	7,866	5,603	5,288
Inner Spring	G.S.	"	..	8,055	9,889	10,015	12,369	12,158	12,877	13,725	10,324	7,574
Soft Filled & Other	G.S.	Sq. Yds.	..	55,567	74,629	107,006	150,771	116,696	142,906	133,915	109,529	71,991
FLOOR COVERINGS:												
Wool, Felt & Carpets	G.S.	Sq. Yds.	..									

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NOTES:

- (a) Includes Flakes & Chips.
- (b) Included with "Soap - Household".
- (c) Household and commercial cooking stoves to 1947-48, thereafter household cooking stoves only.
- (d) Figures for 1948-49 and 1949-50 include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturer.
- (e) Does not include motors made and incorporated in other products.
- (f) Includes carbonised wool.
- (g) Includes women's & children's.
- (h) Included in Men's.
- (i) Includes Tasmanian production.
- (j) Excludes all Tomato products.
- (k) Victorian factory production to 1948 - 49, thereafter quantities on which excise duty is paid .

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

The following is the key to the code of present collecting authorities.

C. & A. Commonwealth Department of Commerce and Agriculture.

F.A. Forest Authorities.

G.S. Commonwealth or State Statistician.

J.C.B. Joint Coal Board.

M.D. State Department of Mines.

M.P.D. State Building Materials Procurement Directorate.

T & C Commonwealth Department of Trade & Customs.

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